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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Kroninger et al.

Appln. No.: 10/729,882

Filed: December 5, 2003

For: METHOD OF PROCESSING A
WORKPIECE, AND A WORK CARRIER, IN
PARTICULAR OF POROUS CERAMIC

Attorney Docket No: 10808/116 (In 1263US)

Examiner: Mark A. Osele

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FOURTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(d), Applicant hereby cites the following reference(s):

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS		
DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	COUNTRY
DE 299 09 410 U1	06/01/1999	Germany

OTHER ART – NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS
German Office Action Dated November 24, 2008 (with translation) – (4 pgs)

Applicant is enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference E1-E2 for which a copy is required under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2). Pursuant to the undersigned attorney's obligation and duties under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.98(a)(3) and (c), either English language abstracts, partial translations, or full translations are included for patent documents which are not in English for the express purpose of providing a concise explanation of the references to the Patent and Trademark Office with the opportunity to evaluate the same. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

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By submitting this Statement, Applicant is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 CFR §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 CFR §1.56(a).

Applicant has further calculated a processing fee in the amount of \$180.00 to be due under 37 CFR §1.17(p) in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. Applicant has authorized charging the fee to Deposit Account 23-1925 as indicated in the Transmittal accompanying this Information Disclosure Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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